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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Billy H. Brenton

Serial No.: 10/802,322

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Title: ADJUSTABLE THUMB RINGLET FOR PIVOTED CUTTING INSTRUMENTS

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- ( ) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
( ) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
( ) No additional fee (Address enveloped to "Box Non-Fee Amendments")  
(X) Other: **PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF APPLICANT'S AGE**

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INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		=	X \$43	\$
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$145	\$
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$55	2ND MONTH \$210	3RD MONTH \$475	4TH MONTH \$740	\$	
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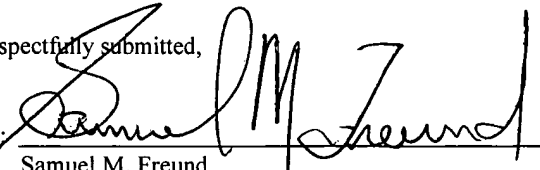
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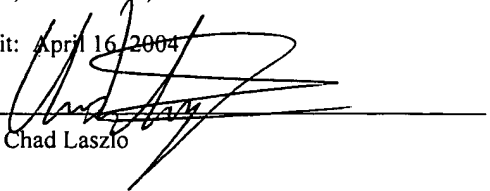
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P. O. Box 1450  
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ATTENTION: Group Director, Group \_\_\_\_\_ (M.P.E.P. § 1002.02(c))

**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF APPLICANT'S AGE  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c) AND M.P.E.P. § 708.02 IV)**

NOTE: See M.P.E.P. § 708.02, 7<sup>th</sup> ed.

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special because applicant is over 65 years of age.

As a showing of this fact, accompanying this petitioner is:

(Check one of the following)

- ☐ applicant's birth certificate  
☒ a declaration by the applicant that he/she is over 65 years of age.

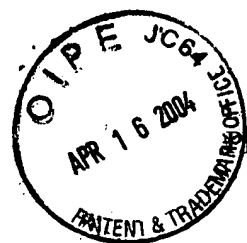
No fee is required with this petition, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c).

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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**DECLARATION OF BILLY H. BRENTON**


Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

The undersigned, Billy H. Brenton, hereby states:

1. That I am the inventor of U.S. Non-provisional Application No. 10/802,322, entitled "Adjustable Thumb Ringlet for Pivoted Cutting Instruments" filed March 16, 2004 by Billy H. Brenton.
2. That I was born on February 26, 1933 in Indianahoma, Oklahoma.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

  
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Billy H. Brenton  
Dated this 04/12 day of April 2004